Facilities to Stock Exchanges

305. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE to be pleased to state:

(a) the number of brokers registered so far with the Bhubaneswar Stock Exchange and number of applications pending with it for registration as brokers/sub-brokers and the time by which these application will be cleared;

(b) whether the Government have received any request to provide the basic amenities such as building/plot, hot lines, telephone/telex facilities for the registered brokers etc. to the Bhubaneswar Stock Exchange;

(c) if so, the decision taken by the Union Government in this regard; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to provide uniform facilities to all the Stock exchanges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) Bhubaneswar Stock Exchange Association Limited has informed that a total number of 162 persons are registered as members of the Exchange. There is no application pending with it for registration as brokers and sub-brokers.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Question does not arise in view of reply to (b) above.

(d) The responsibility for providing infrastructure facilities vests with the concerned Stock Exchange depending upon their requirements.

Permission to companies to raise capital

306. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE to be pleased to state:

(a) the number of companies allowed to raise capital from the public by equity or debenture issued during the current year, month-wise;

(b) whether the Government are aware that despite being allowed to raise capital from the public long back, several companies are yet to come out with the public issues;

(c) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken against them; and

(d) the steps taken to curb inordinate delays in listing of new issues with the stock exchanges alongwith the names of such companies awaiting to be listed in different stock exchanges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) The number of companies allowed to raise capital during the current year (up to October, 1991) month wise is as follows:-

Month	*No of Companies*
January	86
February	82
March	76
April	65
May	50
June	65
July	66
August	66
September	41
October	99

(b) and (c). The constant order issued to a company to raise capital form the public is valid for 12 months from the date of consent. If company does not raise the funds within the period stipulated in the consent order, its validity automatically expires.

(d) Section 73 of the companies Act 1956 provides a time limit of 10 weeks from the date of closure of the subscription list for listing of shares and debentures issued through a prospectus and therefore, it does not seem necessary to take further steps in this regard for the present.

[*Translation*]

Tea Production In Tripura

307. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMERCE to be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production in Tripura has been less this year as compared to last year;

(b) if so, the number of new tea saplings planted during the last three years and the expenditure incurred thereon; and

(c) the total quantity of tea produced in Tripura during these years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) During the last three years around 150 hectares of land has been brought under tea planting in Tripura. This would amount to planting around 15 lakh saplings/clonal cuttings and expenditure of approximately Rs. 1 Crore.

(c) Tea production in Tripura during 1988,1989 and 1990 was 4.01 million kgs, 5.27 million kgs and 5.26 (estimated) million kgs respectively.

[*English*]

IAF Aircraft Accidents

308. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of I.A.F. aircraft involved in accidents during each of the last six months, date-wise;

(b) the number of lives lost in these accidents;

(c) the details of the damages caused to civilian property;

(d) how these figures compare with those of the preceding six months; and

(e) the steps taken to bring down the rate of accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE(SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) There were 19 accidents involving IAF aircraft during the six months period from 1st May, 1991 to 31st October, 1991, as per the following details:-

Date	*Number of accidents*
17.5.91	1
11.6.91	2
16.7.91	1
19.7.91	1
20.7.91	2
25.7.91	1
27.7.91	1